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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Although in general, I am against government regulation, there are some cases where prudent regulation is essential in maintaining a free and dynamic market. This usually happens when companies have grown to a size that creates inherent advantages over new, competing companies.

I rely on a competitive marketplace for DSL services, with robust competition from smaller, independent DSL providers. I do not want an America that stifles competition in this area, leaving consumers with unique needs in a stranglehold to be serviced by large corporations such as AT&T with one-size fits all mentality.

America thrives on competition. The success of President Trump illustrates that greatness comes from introducing forces that introduce more competition, rather than less. You can see this in his trade policies, the overall deregulation efforts, and his personal approach to life. But not all regulations squelch competition, and this is one of those cases.

Please do what is right for America and continue to keep unbundled elements of the network infrastructure accessible to all players in the marketplace in the way that it has been.

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